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### INCREASE OF INSANITY.

**The Fact Proven by Statistics—Some of the Causes.**

The Medico-Legal Journal says the increase of insanity is an admitted fact confirmed by statistics. The ratio of the increase of the insane is greatly in excess of the increase of the population. The increase of insanity here and elsewhere is due to many causes. The changes produced in social life by modern civilization are an important factor. Dr. Pratt, of Michigan, truly says that we see more, think more, read more, feel more, know more, worry more in ten years than our grandfathers did in thirty.

Where does the strain of this intensity fall? Not on our physical strength; for, with all we do, we do not labor as hard physically as did our fathers before us. This strain of intensified life falls, and of necessity must fall, on the brain and nervous system.

The rapid increase of paresis and of other forms of brain and spinal degeneration among our ablest, busiest and best men furnishes a fearful proof of the effects of overtaxing the nervous forces.

An important factor for this increase of insanity is undoubtedly due to foreign immigration. Statistics compiled from the last census report, show that one-third of the insane are derived from the foreign born, who constitute only one-eighth of our entire population.

But statistics show that there is an increase of insanity among the native born. Here the element of out modern civilization comes in as an exciting cause. Take any of our great industries, and note the changes that, during the last forty years, have taken place in the manner in which they are carried on, and the effects those changes have wrought upon the operatives.

The general diffusion of education makes our young men anxious to win success. What are the chances of success as compared with forty years ago, for young men starting in life without means?

The great improvement of which we boast, especially in labor-saving machinery, as Herbert Spencer says, has not improved the chances of the masses. The masses may be as well fed and as well clothed as before, but the chances to rise from their normal condition are much lessened.

Forty years ago speculation in stocks was almost unknown. Within a few years some men have become immensely rich by fortunate speculation in mining, oil, telegraph, telephone and railroad stocks. The contagion has spread. Thousands of men with small means, small salaries—clerks, professional men, lawyers, physicians, and clergymen even—have dealt in margins, with the expectation of becoming suddenly rich. While one in a hundred may have made something, the ninety-and-nine have been sadly disappointed, and lost all.

Wall street is the great maelstrom that has swallowed the hard earnings of thousands upon thousands of unfortunate victims. Beecher has quaintly said that the angels hold their noses when they look down on Wall street. Is there any wonder that the anxious, sleepless victims of Wall street should become insane?

### He Liked Them Salt.

Senator Sawyer, of Wisconsin, tells the following amusing story:

There were a dozen fellows up in our pine timber country who clubbed together one fall to go into the woods and cut logs. They hadn't much money, and their plan was to work together, incurring just as little expense as possible, run their logs together, and, after marketing them in the spring, divide the money equally. This plan was acceptable to all, when it occurred to some one that they should have decided who should be cook for the party. It was positively necessary that some one should do the cooking, for they were determined not to hire a cook. So they all fought against the duty. But some one must do it, and so it was decided that they should draw lots, and the one getting the longest should be cook, but if any fellow complained of the cooking he should take that duty himself and excuse the first one selected. So they went into camp, and the first duty that the new cook essayed was to cook a pot of beans. By some chance he got them altogether too salt, so much so that they were entirely unfit to eat. The men were hungry, however, and at meal time were promptly on hand for their beans. Some of the more cautious tasted them in silence, but one fellow, who was especially hungry and fretful, bolted a whole mouthful and, springing to his feet, shouted in his disappointment, "Great heavens, how —— —— salt these beans are!" then suddenly recalling their agreement about the fate of the first kicker, sat himself down quickly, and resumed his meal with the remark, "but then I like them salt."

### Marvelous Oil Wells.

President Eaton, of the Oil-Well Supply Company, told a Bradford correspondent of the New York Sun, that he had been over to Europe to take a look at Russia's phenomenal oil spouters, and was astonished. The daily production is between 30,000 and 35,000 barrels. It could be increased to 50,000 barrels per day, but the flows are controlled by gate valves, because there are inadquate storage facilities and an insufficient demand. One peculiarity of the wells in Russia is the mountains of sand at the openings. One mound was found to be 600 feet long, ten feet high, fifteen feet wide at the bottom and six feet at the top. The sand is thrown up by the oil. The big wells in America cannot be compared to the Russian geysers. Mr. Eaton says he saw one well flowing at the rate of more than 40,000 barrels per day, and was told that another produced nearly 60,000 barrels the first twenty-four hours, and averaged the first 32 days 28,600 barrels per day. The largest company owns 42 of the biggest wells, which from 1879 to 1885, yielded 4,600,000 barrels. It takes about six months to drill a well and they cost between $10,000 and $12,000. The average depth is 600 feet. Facilities for refining and transportation are inadequate.

### Good Cure for Felons.

O. M. Dudley writes to Home Companion that he thinks the following the best felon cure he ever saw:

As soon as you feel pain, as though you had a brier or thorn in your finger, take a stout thread or wrapping yarn and begin to wind it around the finger, always leaving one joint of the digit, between where you begin to wind and the afflicted part. Wind as tight as you can on toward the end of the finger, and when you have come near the seat of the pain, hold the thread tight and let your finger beat and throb for five minutes, and your felon is cured. I have cured half a dozen by this ——.

### First Bass.

"This is my friend, Mr. Jones; he stands very high in our church; he's first bass."

"Indeed! I'm very glad to meet him."

"And this is Mr. Smith—"

"Ah! I suppose he's the catcher or pitcher?"

"Catcher or pitcher! Why, no; he's the tenor."

"Oh, I beg your pardon!" he said, confusedly; "I thought the gentleman belonged to a base ball club."

### E Pluribus Unum.

The Boston Advertiser says that despite the cavillers, the malcontents, the constitutional carpers and the whole feeble army of discontent, on the whole earth there is no other spot so favored of Heaven, so generally prosperous, so secure in happiness and in hopefulness as this land of ours.

### The Story of a Song.

"Carp's" Washington letter to Cleveland Leader: I heard a curious story yesterday in regard to the well-known song:

No one to love! none to caress!
Traveling alone through life's wilderness, etc.

The author of this song lives here in Washington, and he boards at a hotel within a square or so of the White House. He is now a man of perhaps 40, and he wrote the song many years ago. He was in love with a beautiful girl and the day was fixed for their marriage. In the interval between the engagement and this day the war broke out and the young man enlisted. He was on the field when the time approached for his wedding. It was the eve of a great battle, and that the first battle in which the young man was to take part. He wrote to his sweetheart asking her to postpone the day of the marriage till after the fight. This she refused to do, and said if he did not return and keep his part of the agreement she would consider the engagement off. The young man preferred to trust to luck in regard to the engagement to being considered a coward in running away from his first battle, and remained on the field. His lady-love, however, was so piqued at the refusal that she persisted in her rejection of his suit and married another man. Inspired with the feeling of the desertion, the rejected wrote the song which has had such a wide run. He not only wrote the song, but he remained true to his first love, and for some time, the story goes, he has been living here with his mother. Not long ago, however, his love's husband died, and since that time he has renewed the acquaintance of the widow, who, though older than when he went to the war, is still charming. The old flame has, it is said, revived in the fair widow's breast, and there is a fair prospect of a match.

### A Goat Farm.

Lying behind the village of Clifton, Staten Island, is a low range of grass hills on which there are 438 goats. Mr. Paul Chaulmier, the owner of this herd, is a dignified Frenchman, about 60 years old and is assisted by his wife and daughters in the management of his great farm. "I came to this country twenty-five years ago," said he, "and settled down in Staten Island. At first I worked at my trade, that of a carriage-maker, but a series of articles published in the morning New York journals regarding the adulteration of cows' milk, gave me an idea. The present is the result of the past. I make cheese from goats' milk which you cannot find elsewhere, and the remainder of the milk is greedily bought by wealthy people in New York whose children are puny and week when born. It is a lucrative business, and I have laid by enough to place myself and family beyond the possibility of want."

### The Best Educators.

Live newspapers are the best educators of country youth. This is well called "mail-bag education," and is one of the greatest blessings of the century, though sometimes mixed with evil. But there is evil in most things. Such seems to have been a law of creation. Evil is that we may overcome it, and thus grow strong. Napoleon loved obstacles that he might combat them. Given a wise assortment of periodicals: an independent political journal; a clean, breezy, literary paper or magazine; a wide-awake, progressive, farm paper;—one or more of each; and our boys of the farm will have material to keep their brains busy and free from rust. The seeds of evil may breed content with poor farming, poverty and narrowness. But such evil is good. Cherish it; water it with encouragement; cultivate it with wider knowledge; train it with better practice, a broader system of culture, contact with progressive men. Then the fruit may be self-gained education, valuable experience, and in later years a progressive, wise, successful, influential agriculturist. The world needs such men by thousands.—*Our Country Home.*

### Mrs. Partington's Equinoctial.

"Talking about the misuse of words," said an old citizen of Buffalo, "Buffalo, when a village, had a veritable Mrs. Partington. The great governor, De Witt Clinton, came to Buffalo, and the good lady I refer to was his hostess. At the table she astonished the patron saint of the raging Erie with some of her peculiar sayings, one of which has become historic.

"The governor kindly referred to the Buffalo climate as salubrious and quite delightful. 'Yes,' said the hostess, 'we usually have nice weather, except in the winter months and when the sun crosses the Penobscot.'

"'My dear, you don't mean the Penobscot,' hurriedly protested the judge, her spouse.

"'Dear no,' said she, 'I mean the Passamaquoddy.'

### A Crowding of Events.

Wife.—How very unfortunate!

Husband.—What is it this time?

Wife.—Why, Clara Smith's wedding and the funeral of poor dear Mrs. Brown are to take place at the same hour on Wednesday, and I have been looking forward to them both so much.

### Journalistic Amenities.

[Kansas City Times.]

Scene—Dentist office in Topeka: beautiful maiden in chair, dentist and doctor on either side. Dentist loquitur:

"Doctor, the patient rallies and the chloroform has given out."

"Quick, the Commonwealth there! Hand it to me! (Reads:) 'The editor of the Commonwealth has been frequently asked, —Ha! thank God! she sleeps! Saved!"

### Rusty on French.

A baggageman in Castle Garden asked a French passenger where he was going, so as to have his baggage checked.

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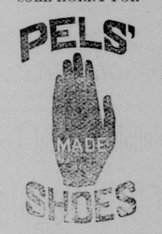
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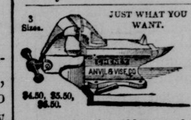
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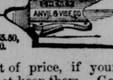
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